

Sinclair  
Broadcasting's  
decision to force  
their stations to  
air an anti-Kerry  
documentary days  
before the election  
is a clear example  
of the dangers of  
media consolidation  
and how fair and  
unbiased news  
coverage suffers as  
a result of this  
consolidation.

Sinclair uses the  
public airwaves free  
of charge, and is  
obligated by law to  
serve the public  
interest. When large  
companies control  
the airwaves and we  
do not hold them  
accountable, there  
is little difference  
between our  
government and so  
called  
"non-democratic  
governments. We get  
more of the owner's  
political  
orientation and less  
of what we need to  
be informed people  
in a "so called  
democracy"

Sinclair's actions  
show why we need to  
strengthen media  
ownership rules, not  
weaken them. They  
show why the license  
renewal process  
needs to involve  
more than a returned  
postcard. Thank you.